





PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2624

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Takafumi NAKA

Group Art Unit:

Application No.: 09/670,012

Examiner:

J. Thompson

Filed: September 26, 2000

Docket No.: 107456

For:

IMAGE READING DEVICE THAT ADJUSTS FOR WEAKENING OF SCANNER

ELEMENTS OVER TIME

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the February 22, 2005 Office Action, and April 21, 2005 personal interview, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and Remarks.

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